

Motorcyclist vs. Deer



(or)
PPE
vs.
Asphalt



The motorcyclist: Simon Cox

(retired Air Force master sergeant)

- Taught MSF for the military for the last 5 years
- Has been riding for 20+ years, logging between 10K and 15K miles per year
- Always rides ATGATT (“All The Gear, All The Time”)

The PPE

- Arai full-face helmet
- FirstGear mesh and armored jacket
- TourMaster leather gloves
- SIDI Combat Touring Boots (motocross boots for the street)
- Jeans (usually wears Aerostich one-piece)

FirstGear Mesh Tex2, right shoulder.
No road rash.



Sidi Combat Touring Boots

The asphalt



The collision

- On his way home, 5 p.m., sunny
- Deer ran into the road at full tilt
- He had a fraction of a second to react
- Applied brakes, started to swerve
- Deer collided with front wheel
- Bike and deer both went down

Here be deer

100' ~ 1.2 sec



The injuries

- Two broken toes (boot jammed into pavement at 50 mph)
- Road rash: a silver-dollar-sized strawberry on knee, dime-sized on my left wrist
- Broken shoulder, torn ligament and muscles (elbow on extended arm hit pavement straight-on)







The injuries he didn't suffer

- Sprained ankle
- Broken foot
- Fractured skull
- Massive road rash







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